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If your Q&A doc is ready let's make a statement with it as part of our update 8/19?

Here's the latest sitrep info.

The EPA is conducting private well water sampling as needed and calling those residents sampled to provide the analytical results. Based on the sample results reported as of 8/17/2015, seven out of 105 private wells sampled had some exceedance of drinking water standards. These samples were taken from the well head and not the tap. Follow up work at the wells that exceeding drinking water standards include: flushing the well; resampling at the well; and taking an additional tap water sample for analysis.

Discharge flow at the mine site was at 544 gallons per minute (gpm).

The CDPHE plans to demobilize on 8/19/2015 and will return to the normally scheduled watershed sampling in the area.

The San Juan County commissioners are holding a working session about the Gold King Mine Release the evening on Tuesday, 8/18/2015 that is open to the public. The meeting is being held at the Silverton Town Hall at 6:30 p.m.

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